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WATER FILTER CARTRIDGE COMPRISING AN EXCHANGEABLE TESTING UNIT THAT
CONTAINS A CONDUCTANCE SENSOR

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request preliminary amendment of the Drawing, Abstract, Specification and Claims to conform the application to U.S. requirements as indicated in the following amendments and Listing of Claims.